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Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require the reduction of section 602(b)(1) suballocations to reflect floor amendments to general appropriation bills, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BREWSTER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require the reduction of section 602(b)(1) suballocations to reflect floor amendments to general appropriation bills, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved*, That (a) clause 4(a) of rule XI of the Rules
2 of the House of Representatives is amended by adding at
3 the end the following new subparagraph:

4 “(4)(A) Upon the engrossment in the House of any
5 general appropriation bill (or resolution making continu-
6 ing appropriations (if applicable)), the chairman of the
7 Committee on Appropriations shall—

1 “(i) reduce the suballocation of new budget au-
2 thority to the appropriate subcommittee of that com-
3 mittee made under section 602(b)(1) of the Congres-
4 sional Budget Act of 1974 by the net amount of re-
5 ductions in new budget authority resulting from
6 amendments agreed to by the House to that bill, and

7 “(ii) reduce the suballocation of outlays made
8 under section 602(b)(1) of the Congressional Budget
9 Act of 1974 to the appropriate subcommittee of that
10 committee by the net amount of reductions in out-
11 lays resulting from amendments agreed to by the
12 House to that bill,

13 and promptly report those revisions to the House.

14 “(B) The reductions in suballocations made under
15 subdivision (A) may not be reallocated by the Committee
16 on Appropriations to any other subcommittee.

17 “(C) In the House of Representatives, the revised
18 suballocations made under subdivision (A) shall be deemed
19 to be suballocations made under section 602(b)(1) of the
20 Congressional Budget Act of 1974.”.

21 (b) Clause 4(b) of rule XI of the Rules of the House
22 of Representatives is amended by adding at the end the
23 following new sentence: “Upon the reporting of revised
24 suballocations to the House by the Committee on Appro-
25 priations under paragraph (a), the chairman of the Com-

1 mittee on the Budget shall make appropriate revisions in
2 the allocations to the Committee on Appropriations to re-
3 flect the revised suballocations and report those revisions
4 to the House. In the House of Representatives, those re-
5 vised allocations shall be deemed to be allocations made
6 under section 602(a)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act
7 of 1974.”.

8 (c) Rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Represent-
9 atives is amended by adding at the end the following new
10 clause:

11 “9. (a) Any appropriation bill that is being marked
12 up by the Committee on Appropriations (or a subcommit-
13 tee thereof) of either House shall contain a line item enti-
14 tled ‘Deficit Reduction Lock-box’. The dollar amount set
15 forth under that heading shall be an amount not to exceed
16 the amount by which the appropriate 602(b) allocation of
17 new budget authority exceeds the amount of new budget
18 authority provided by that bill as reported by that commit-
19 tee.

20 “(b) Whenever the Committee on Appropriations of
21 either House reports an appropriation bill, that bill shall
22 contain a line item entitled ‘Deficit Reduction Account’
23 comprised of the following:

24 “(1) Only in the case of the first appropriation
25 bill considered following enactment of this resolu-

1 tion, an amount equal to the amounts by which the
2 discretionary spending limit for new budget author-
3 ity and outlays set forth in the most recent Office
4 of Management and Budget sequestration preview
5 Report pursuant to section 601(a)(2) exceed the sec-
6 tion 602(a) allocation for the fiscal year covered by
7 that bill and the amount by which the appropriate
8 602(b) allocation of new budget authority for appro-
9 priations bills adopted by the House prior to enact-
10 ment of this resolution exceeded the amount of new
11 budget authority provided by such bill.

12 “(2) Only in the case of any general appropria-
13 tion bill (or resolution making continuing appropria-
14 tions (if applicable)), an amount not to exceed the
15 amount by which the appropriate section 602(b) al-
16 location of new budget authority exceeds the amount
17 of new budget authority provided by that bill (as re-
18 ported by that committee).

19 “(3) Only in the case of any bill making supple-
20 mental appropriations following enactment of all
21 general appropriation bills for the same fiscal year,
22 an amount not to exceed the amount by which the
23 section 602(a) allocation of new budget authority ex-
24 ceeds the sum of all new budget authority provided
25 by appropriation bills enacted for that fiscal year

1 plus that supplemental appropriation bill (as re-
2 ported by that committee).

3 “(c) Whenever a Member of either House of Congress
4 offers an amendment (whether in subcommittee, commit-
5 tee, or on the floor) to an appropriation bill to reduce
6 spending, that reduction shall be placed in the deficit re-
7 duction lock-box unless that Member indicates that it is
8 to be utilized for another program, project, or activity cov-
9 ered by that bill. If the amendment is agreed to and the
10 reduction was placed in the deficit reduction lock-box, then
11 the line item entitled ‘Deficit Reduction Lock-box’ shall
12 be increased by the amount of that reduction.”.

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